

**WEBB COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 26, 2001
9:00 A.M.**

- 01. 01-11-303. CALL TO ORDER JUDGE MERCURIO MARTINEZ,
JR.
INVOCATION
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 02.01-11-304. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
- 03.01-11-305. COMMUNICATIONS**
1. **Dr. David Jones, Superintendent, Webb
Consolidated Independent School District**
- 04.01-11-306. APPROVAL OF BILLS, PAYROLL AND MONTHLY
REPORTS**
- 05.01-11-307. PROCLAMATIONS/RESOLUTIONS**
1. **PROCLAMATION - "World Aids Day"**
2. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO
ADOPT A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE
NEED FOR A VOTER IDENTIFICATION CARD
AS AN ACCEPTABLE FORM OF
IDENTIFICATION FOR VOTING PURPOSES.**
- 06.01-11-308. COURT TO DISCUSS AND ACT ON THE
FOLLOWING:**
- a. J.P. HECTOR LIENDO**
- ACTION REGARDING REQUEST FROM JUDGE
LIENDO TO INCREASE MINUTES ON LICENSE AND**

**WEIGHT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
TROOPERS CELLULAR PHONES (DEFERRED
ITEM).**

b. TAX ASSESSOR COLLECTOR

ACTION TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING REFUNDS:

First Nationwide Mortgage Co.

Reason: Payment made in error

Total Refund: \$510.51

Sears Roebuck & Co.

Reason: District Court Judgement

Total Refund: \$2,857.19

Washington Mutual

Reason: Account already paid

Total Refund: \$2,052.72

General Growth Management, Inc.

Reason: Overpayment

Total Refund: \$592.07

Hilltop Farms, Ltd.

Reason: Overpayment

Total Refund: \$625.08

c. WEBB COUNTY AUDITOR

**ACTION REGARDING THE REIMBURSEMENT OF
THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN TRAVEL FUNDS
ADVANCED AND ACTUAL TRAVEL FUNDS SPENT
BY EMPLOYEES OF THE ADULT PROBATION**

DEPARTMENT (DEFERRED ITEM - Executive Session is requested pursuant to Title 5, Subchapter D, Section 551.071, of the Texas Government Code, Consultation with Attorney).

d. HEADS START DEPARTMENT

- 1. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE HEAD START SELECTION COMMITTEE WITH DESIGNATION OF INTERVIEW PROCESS AND SELECTION OF THE NEW HEAD START EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, AND ANY MATTERS INCIDENT THERETO (Executive Session Requested pursuant to Title 5, subchapter D, Section 551.074 - personnel matters, of the Government Code).**

- 2. ACTION TO FILL THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS:**

Slot# 5888 (Teacher Assistant) at \$586.99 per pay period and Slot# 5765 (Substitute) at \$6.76 an hour for 3 hours a day.

e. WEBB COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY

- 1. ACTION TO SUBMIT TO TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS REFUNDING APPLICATION FOR THE COMPREHENSIVE ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (CEAP) FOR**

FISCAL YEAR 2002 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 223,493.00 (Note: This is the annual application for requesting funding of the Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program for FY 2002. This grant provides the utility assistance to the low-moderate income clients and to the elderly and/or disabled clients of Webb County and funds the Heating and Cooling and Energy Crisis Components).

- 2. ACTION TO FILL SLOT# 1153 (Social Service Coordinator) AT \$7.87 AN HOUR EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 26, 2001.**

f. PLANNING DEPARTMENT

- 1. ACTION TO ISSUE/RATIFY “CERTIFICATIONS REGARDING COMPLIANCE WITH PLAT REQUIREMENTS AND THE CONNECTION OF UTILITIES TO AUTHORIZE UTILITY CONNECTIONS TO THE FOLLOWING PROPERTIES:**

Connection(s) qualifying under Section 232.029 (i), TLGC

Tract 55, Tanquecitos South Acres I (electricity - 1 dwelling)

- 2. ACTION TO ALLOW THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT TO PURCHASE TWO LAPTOP COMPUTERS WITH MEMORY UPGRADES AND ACCESSORIES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO**

EXCEED \$6,000 (Funding available Acct# 606-8001-7409 Rural Addressing- Equipment required for Emergency 911 Addressing assignments in the field as well as for use during meetings, public hearings and other County-related business conducted off-premise).

**g. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT**

- 1. ACTION TO IMPLEMENT A NEW 6 MONTHS TRIAL PERIOD FOR HOURS OF OPERATION FOR THE WEBB COUNTY SELF-HELP CENTER TO BE EFFECTIVE WITH DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME APRIL 7, 2002:**

**9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon
1:30 p.m to 6:30 p.m.**

- h. ACTION ON THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE WEBB COUNTY HOUSING REHABILITATION SELECTION/SCORING COMMITTEE ON THE ELIGIBLE APPLICATIONS (homeowners) TO RECEIVE ASSISTANCE UNDER THE (HCI) HOUSING COLONIA INITIATIVES (HCI) GRANT PROGRAM FOR HOUSING REHABILITATION:**

**Magdalena Gonzalez
427 Rodriguez
El Cenizo, Texas 78046**

**Mariana Garcia
1745 Patricia
Rio Bravo, Texas
78046**

- i. ACTION TO AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASING AGENT TO SOLICIT BIDS FOR THE HOUSING REHABILITATION APPLICANTS RECOMMENDED BY THE WEBB COUNTY HOUSING REHABILITATION SELECTION/SCORING COMMITTEE UNDER THE HUD HOUSING COLONIA INITIATIVES (HCI) GRANT PROGRAM (Contingent upon approval of the Housing Selection/Scoring Committee recommendations).**

07.01-11-309. COURT TO DISCUSS AND ACT ON THE FOLLOWING FROM ENGINEERING, ROAD & BRIDGE AND UTILITIES DEPARTMENT:

- a. ACTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SELECTION OF AN ATTORNEY TO INVESTIGATE THE COUNTY'S OIL AND GAS LEASES IN THE WEBB COUNTY'S SCHOOL LANDS (Funds Available in Acct# 001-0109-6022 Professional Services).**
- b. ACTION TO AUTHORIZE FINAL PAYMENT TO ATLAS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$43,831.79 FOR THE REMODELING OF THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING AND FUTURE OFFICES OF J.P. OSCAR O. MARTINEZ AND CONSTABLE TINO JUAREZ, PRECINCT # 4.**
- c. ACTION AUTHORIZING THE SELECTION OF**

**DESIGN CONSTRUCTION, INC., FOR THE DESIGN
OF AN ADDITION TO THE LARGA VISTA
COMMUNITY CENTER (Acct#627-8105-8103 Bond
Series 2001 - Building Improvements).**

**08.01-11-310. COURT TO DISCUSS AND ACT ON THE
FOLLOWING FROM THE COUNTY JUDGE
AND COMMISSIONERS:**

- a. **ACTION REGARDING FORMAL SELECTION
PROCESS, INTERVIEWS AND HIRING OF THE
WEBB COUNTY VETERAN'S SERVICE OFFICER
AND THE WEBB COUNTY LAW LIBRARIAN AND
ANY OTHER MATTERS INCIDENT THERETO.
(Executive Session pursuant to Title 5, subchapter D,
Section 551.074 - personnel matters, of the Government
Code).**

**09.01-11-311. COURT TO DISCUSS AND ACT ON THE
FOLLOWING FROM THE PURCHASING
DEPARTMENT:**

- a. **ACTION TO AWARD/REJECT THE FOLLOWING
PROPOSALS AND BIDS:**

**Webb Self-Help HUD Colonia Grant Homes to
Rehabilitation:**

CAASHC 2001-34	Gloria Romo - El Cenizo, Texas
CAASHC 2001-35	Maria Sanchez - El Cenizo, Texas
CAASHC 2001-36	Maria E. Villanueva - El Cenizo, Texas

- b. **ACTION TO RETAIN THE SERVICES OF CREATIVE**

FLOORS AND WINDOWS INC., TO INSTALL THE HANDRAILS AND REDO THE LOBBY WALL FIRST FLOOR AREA IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,900 FOR THE SHERIFF'S ADMINISTRATION BUILDING (Acct# 624-8000-8601)

- c. ACTION TO PURCHASE MUTI-MEDIA SYSTEM FOR THE 111th JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT FROM AUDIO VISUAL AIDS CORP., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,749.00 AND FURNITURE FROM EXECUTIVE WORLD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,105 PREVIOUSLY APPROVED BY THE PURCHASING BOARD 7,2001 (Acct# 623-0200-8801).**
- d. ACTION TO OBTAIN THE SERVICES OF PROPANE ENERGY LTD., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,545.56 TO PROVIDE ENERGY ASSISTANCE TO QUALIFYING RESIDENTS FOR THE COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY COMMUNITY SOCIAL SERVICES (ACCT# 911-4227-7018).**
- e. ACTION TO APPROVE THE TRANSFER OF TWO (2) CELLULAR PHONES (already assigned) FROM CINGULAR SERVICE TO U.S. CELLULAR AND FOR THE PURCHASE OF FIVE (5) ADDITIONAL CELLULAR PHONES FOR THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY (Deferred Item).**
- f. ACTION TO OBTAIN SIX (6) PAGERS FROM AUTOPHONE OF LAREDO INC., FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY (Deferred Item).**

- g. ACTION REGARDING BILLING CONCERNS
SUBMITTED BY CORPLAN CORRECTIONS WITH
REFERENCE TO THE UPGRADE OF THE LAW
ENFORCEMENT CENTER (Deferred Item)**
- h. ACTION TO LEASE PURCHASE THROUGH THE
HOUSTON GALVESTON AREA COUNTY BID# VEO1-
05 (Ford Motor Credit) IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$224,410.58 FOR THE FOLLOWING DEPARTMENTS:**

County Attorney	One Full Size Administrative Vehicle
Building Maintenance	One Cargo Van One Crew Cab Pick-Up Truck
MIS Department	One ½ Ton Passenger Van
Constable Reyes	One Patrol Vehicle
Road & Bridge	Four ½ Ton Pick-Ups One ¾ Ton Pick-Up
CAA	Two (2) 15 Passenger Vans

**10.01-11-312. COURT TO DISCUSS AND ACT ON THE
FOLLOWING FROM THE COUNTY ATTORNEY:**

- a. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ACCEPT A
GRANT AWARD FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF
JUSTICE, OFFICE OF COMMUNITY ORIENTED
POLICING SERVICES (COPS) AND ENTER INTO A
GRANT AGREEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF SEVEN**

HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$750,000.00) OVER A THREE YEAR PERIOD WITH A COUNTY MATCH OF EIGHTEEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED TWELVE DOLLARS (\$18,312.00) FOR SIX (6) NEW FULL-TIME SCHOOL RESOURCES OFFICERS AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN ALL RELEVANT DOCUMENTS. [Sheriff's Department].

- b. ACTION TO ENTER INTO A CELLULAR SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH U.S. CELLULAR FOR VARIOUS WEBB COUNTY DEPARTMENTS FOR A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS BEGINNING NOVEMBER 1, 2001 THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2004 AT FEES AS SET FORTH IN THE AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO EXECUTE ALL RELEVANT DOCUMENTS (Deferred - Item Purchasing Dept.).**
- c. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO RETAIN THE SERVICES OF FRANK ARCHITECTS FOR THE VILLA ANTIQUA PROJECT AND TO ORDER AN EXEMPTION FROM COMPETITIVE BIDDING SECTION 262.023 LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE AS A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND ANY MATTERS INCIDENT THERETO (Requested by Hon. Judith Gutierrez, Commissioner, Precinct 2).**
- d. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH WEST PUBLICATIONS FOR WESTLAW LEGAL RESEARCH SERVICE FOR THE WEBB COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, WEBB COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE,**

AND THE WEBB COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE FOR A TWENTY-TWO MONTH PERIOD FOR A TOTAL COST OF TWENTY-THREE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$23,500.00) BEING ONE THOUSAND TWELVE DOLLARS (\$1,012.00) PER MONTH FROM DECEMBER 1, 2001 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2002 AND ONE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED FIFTEEN DOLLARS (\$1,115.00) PER MONTH FROM OCTOBER 1, 2002 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2003 AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN ALL RELEVANT DOCUMENTS.

- e. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ENTER INTO HOTEL MOTEL FUNDED CONTRACTS WITH THE FOLLOWING ORGANIZATIONS AND AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN ALL RELEVANT DOCUMENTS.**

ORGANIZATION	GRANT
Youth Commission	\$6,000
6th Battalion, 1st Alamo Brigade, Texas State Guard	\$3,000
Webb County Heritage Foundation and Republic of the Rio Grande Museum	\$50,000
Texas A&M International Dance Program	\$1,500

Laredo Little Theater	\$5,000
Laredo Philharmonic Orchestra	\$10,000
Laredo Center for the Arts	\$10,000
Laredo Chamber of Commerce and Cola Blanca Contest	\$130,000
Hotel Motel Association	\$2,000
Laredo Philharmonic Chorale	\$6,000
Washington Birthday Association	\$5,000
Border Olympics, Inc.	\$10,000
Laredo Children's Museum	\$23,000
Society of Martha Washington	\$5,000
Laredo Community College Spanish Traditional Group	\$4,500
Princess Pocahontas Council	\$5,000
LULAC Council # 12	\$6,000
LULAC Council # 7	\$4,500

Laredo International Fair and Exposition	\$4,000
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- f. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING CAUSE NO. 2001-CVQ-001524-D1; ROBERTO AND MARIA GARCIA VS. CITY OF LAREDO, AN INCORPORATED ENTITY; JUAN SEGOVIA, INDIVIDUALLY AND IN HIS OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS AN EMPLOYEE OF PLANNING DEPARTMENT FOR CITY OF LAREDO; WEBB COUNTY, TEXAS, POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE OF TEXAS; IN THE 49TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF WEBB COUNTY, TEXAS. (Executive Session is requested pursuant to Title 5, Subchapter D, Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, Consultation with Attorney).**
- g. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING APPEAL NO. 04-01-00482-CV; CAUSE NO. 97-CVQ-000758-D2; K. SMARTT INVESTMENTS, INC. D/B/A XOTICAS AND KENNETH D. SMARTT VS. MERCURIO MARTINEZ, JR. ET AL.; IN THE FOURTH COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS (Executive Session is requested pursuant to Title 5, Subchapter D, Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, Consultation with Attorney).**
- h. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING CASE NO. L-92-21916-L-7; ADVERSARY PROCEEDING NO. 00-2194-L; IN RE CECIL MCDONALD, DEBTOR; CECIL MCDONALD VS. WEBB COUNTY, ET AL.; IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS, LAREDO DIVISION (Executive Session is requested pursuant to Title 5, Subchapter D, Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code,**

- Consultation with Attorney).**
- i. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING CLAIM OF MANPOWER INTERNATIONAL, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,296.64 FOR SERVICES PROVIDED TO THE OFFICE OF PRECINCT TWO CONSTABLE RUBEN REYES. (Executive Session is requested pursuant to Title 5, Subchapter D, Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, Consultation with Attorney).**
 - j. **ACTION REGARDING CAUSE NO. 2001-CVQ-001523-D2; WEBB COUNTY, TEXAS BY AND THROUGH ITS COMMISSIONERS COURT, vs. JUAN GARZA, INDIVIDUALLY AND IN HIS CAPACITY AS SHERIFF OF WEBB COUNTY, TEXAS; IN THE 111th JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF WEBB COUNTY, TEXAS.**
 - k. **ACTION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION TO INCREASE THE PER DIEM ALLOWANCE FOR JURY SERVICE FROM SIX DOLLARS (\$6.00) TO FORTY DOLLARS (\$40.00) PER DAY AS ACTED UPON BY THE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD OF JUDGES ON NOVEMBER 7, 2001 (Requested by Administrative Board of Judges).**

THE COMMISSIONERS COURT MAY MEET IN CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT §551.071 (consultation with attorney), 551.072 (deliberation regarding real property), §551.074 (personnel matters) and §551.075 (consultation with employees), ON ALL MATTERS DEEMED NECESSARY BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT.

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES WHO PLAN TO ATTEND THIS MEETING AND WHO MAY NEED AUXILIARY AID OF SERVICE SUCH AS INTERPRETERS FOR PERSONS WHO ARE DEAF OR HEARING IMPAIRED, READERS, OR NEED LARGE PRINT ARE

**REQUESTED TO CONTACT THE COURT ADMINISTRATOR AT (956)
721-2503.**

ADJOURNMENT